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Sir:

Applicants in the above-entitled application hereby claim the date of priority under the International Convention of Japanese Patent Application No. 2003-065591, filed March 11, 2003, and Japanese Patent Application No. 2003-158927, filed June 4, 2003, as acknowledged in the Declaration of this application.

Certified copies of said Japanese Patent Application are submitted herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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